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AFFIDAVIT OF DARREN MAYA UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

Sir:

- I, Darren Maya, being duly sworn, hereby state:
- I am employed by IGT as a video graphic artist for gaming devices. 1.
- I am one of the named inventors of the subject matter claimed in the 2. above-identified patent application, I am generally familiar with the subject matter claimed in the above-identified patent application, and I am generally familiar with the inventions disclosed therein.
 - 3. This invention was conceived on or before February 16, 2001.
- An Invention Disclosure for this invention is attached as Exhibit A. This 4. invention disclosure is dated February 16, 2001. This invention disclosure is unsigned but was sent by facsimile by the IGT Legal Department on March 23, 2001 as indicated on the bottom of the page.

5. Additionally, I produced certain graphics for the commercial application of the invention described in the above-identified application in the DEEP POCKETS gaming machine which was subsequently shown at the September 2001 gaming convention in Las Vegas, Nevada.

6. Specifically, I:

- (a) produced the artwork for the DEEP POCKETS gaming machine shown in the attached Exhibit B at least as early as May 8, 2001, which included graphics identifying determining an amount of an award based on an order of numbers associated with an order a player selects positions for those numbers. The first page illustrates a first position selected by the player which is highlighted. The second page illustrates associating a three with the first position selected by the player. The third page illustrates a second position selected by the player which is highlighted. The fourth page illustrates associating a seven with the second position selected by the player. The fifth page illustrates associating a one with the remaining third position. The award provided to the player is, therefore, seven hundred thirty-one.
- (b) used the Adobe Illustrator and PhotoShop software programs to create this artwork and to produce the file at the date and time set forth in the directory attached as Exhibit C, which includes the above mentioned artwork file, among other animation files:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further, I acknowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Signature

Date Signed

5-19-04

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County of On this 19 day of On the aforementioned state and county, personally appeared the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and executed the foregoing instrument in my presence for the purpose contained therein, by signing his name hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and official seal.

Date: 5-19-04

KIMBERLEY ANN DIMINO Notary Public - State of Nevada Appointment Recorded in Washoe County No: 95-0374-2 - Expires September 18, 2007

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Invention Disclosure

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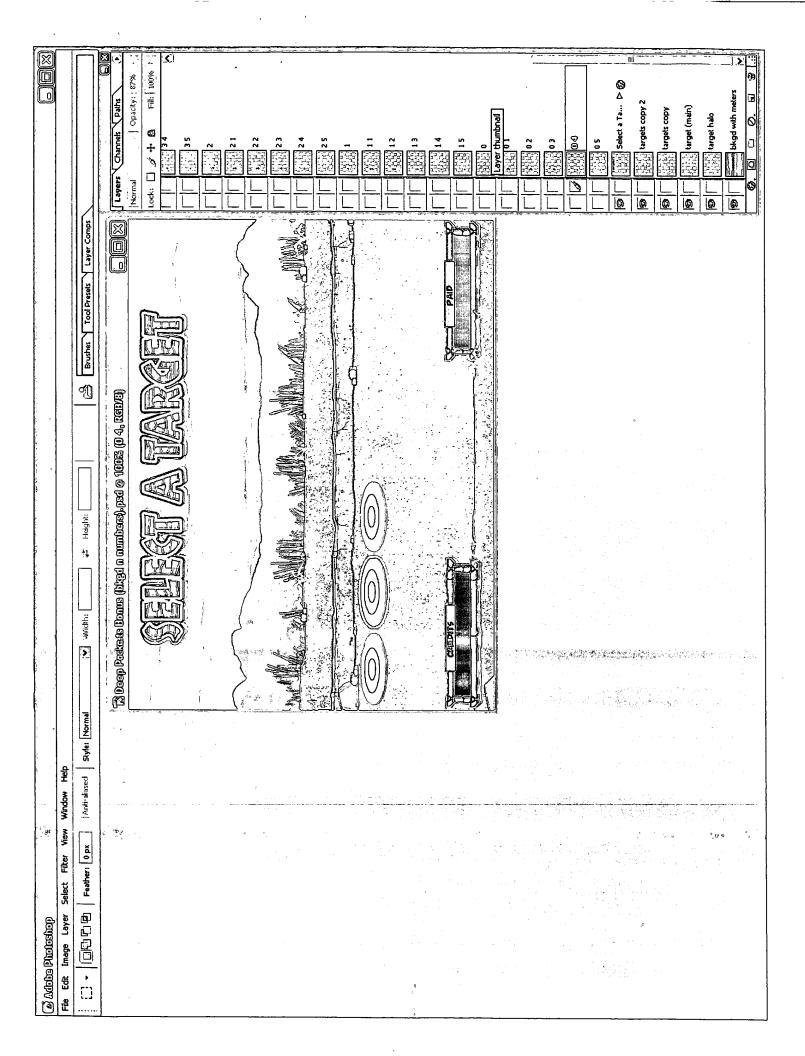
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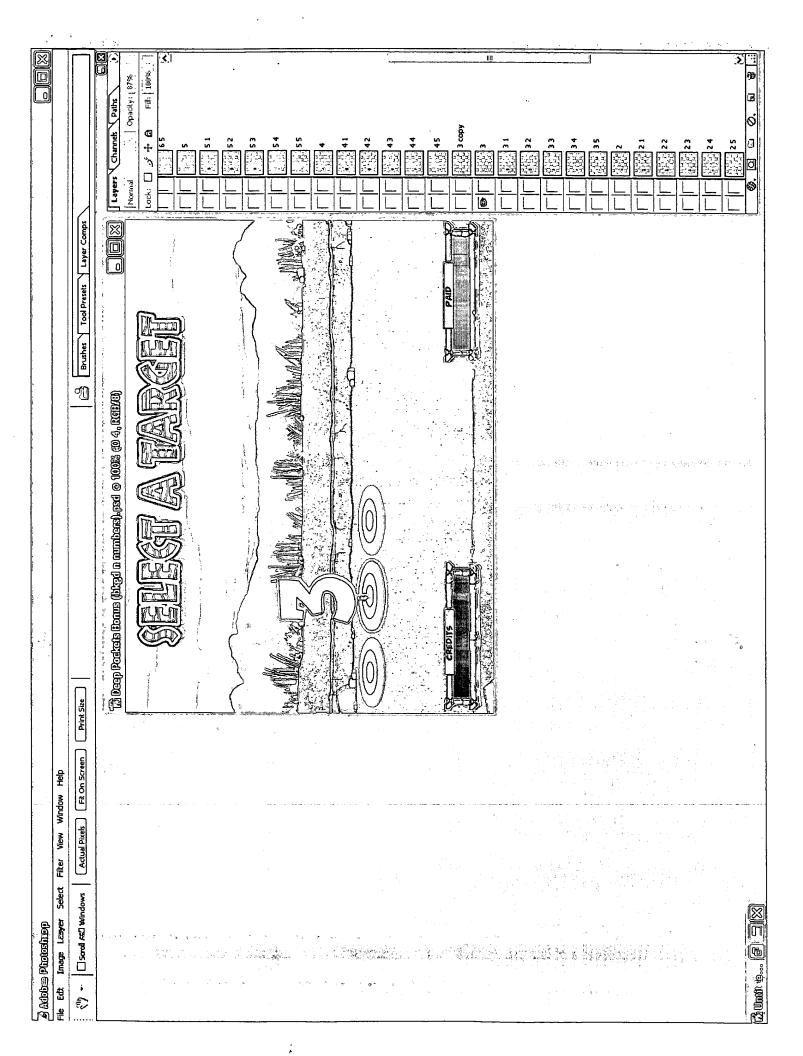
This is another bonus game that is activated by a predetermined event occurring in the primary game. When the bonus is activated, x number of kangaroos appear and the player is asked to select one. Upon selection of the kanagaroo, a number y appears and this y number of joeys come out of the kangaroo.

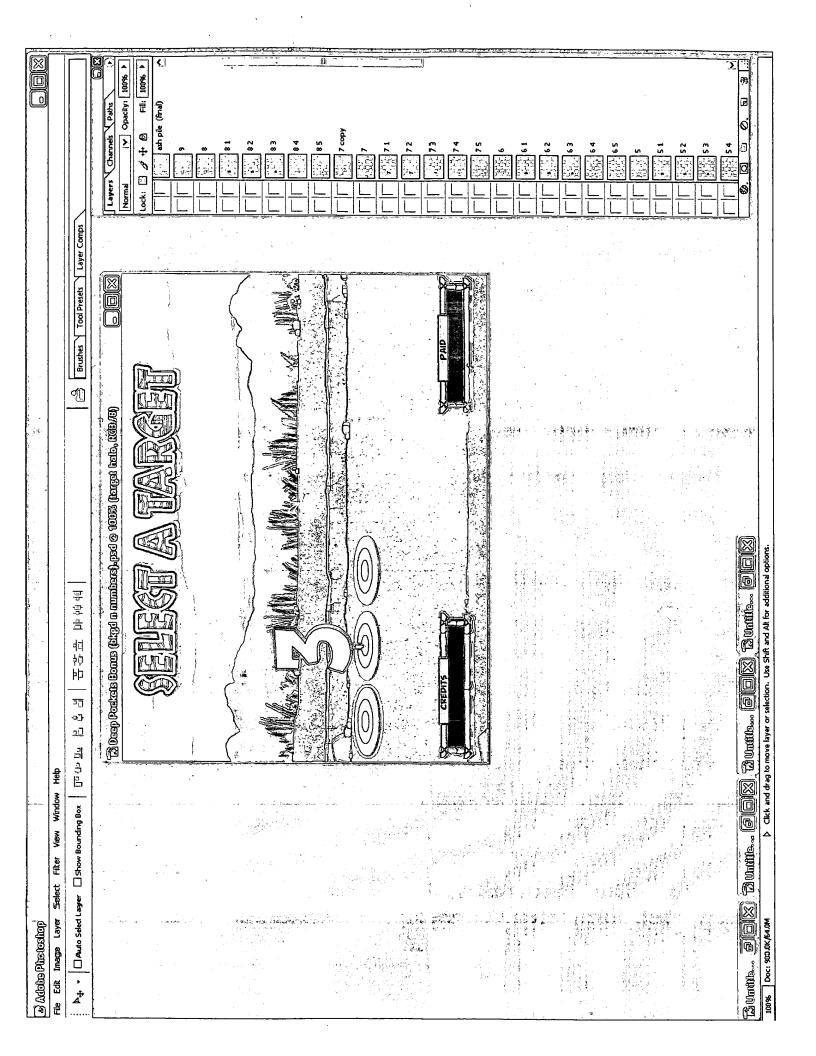
The player is then asked to place these y joeys on one of the y locations, (See Figure) in the order that they desire. Once the joeys are placed, they reveal their numbers. The order of the numbers is the amount of bonus you receive. (See Figure) In alternate embodiment, one of the joeys could be a multiplier or another animal (and thus, it automatically reveals itself and is not part of the placement).

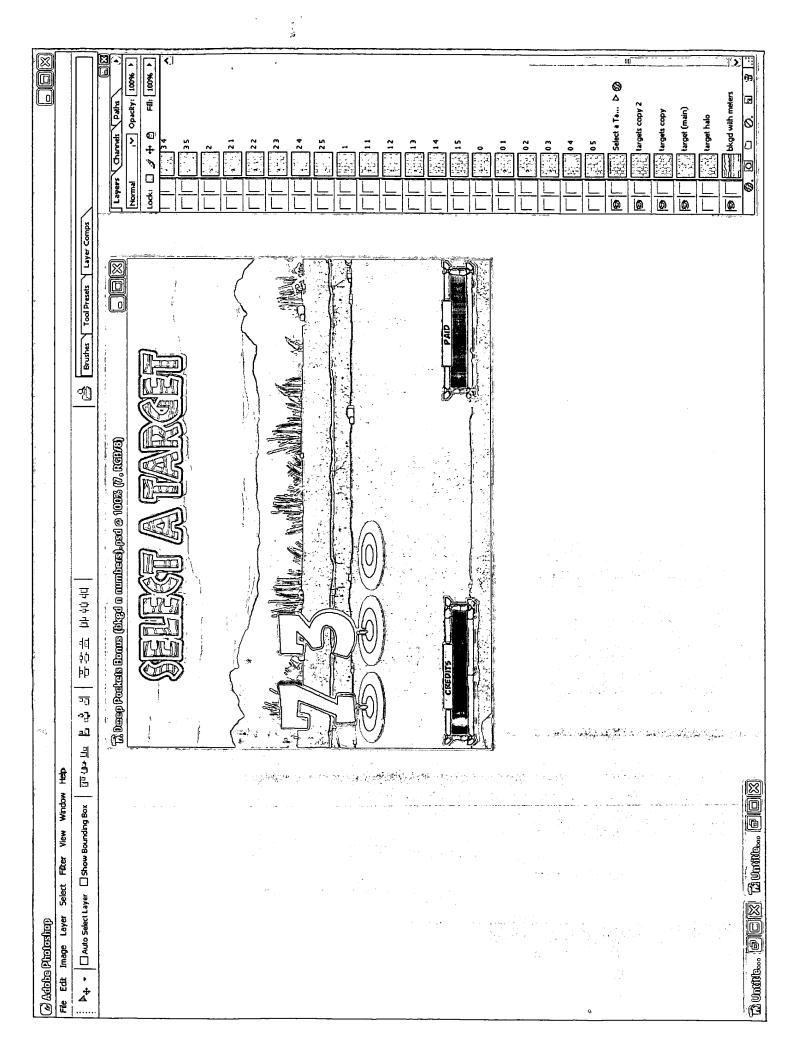
In another alternate embodiment, as the joeys are being placed or after they are revealed, a tazmanian devil appears and scrambles the numbers, thus changing the bonus amount. Or, after the numbers are revealed, the tazmanian devil appears and the player is given the option to the scramble the numbers.

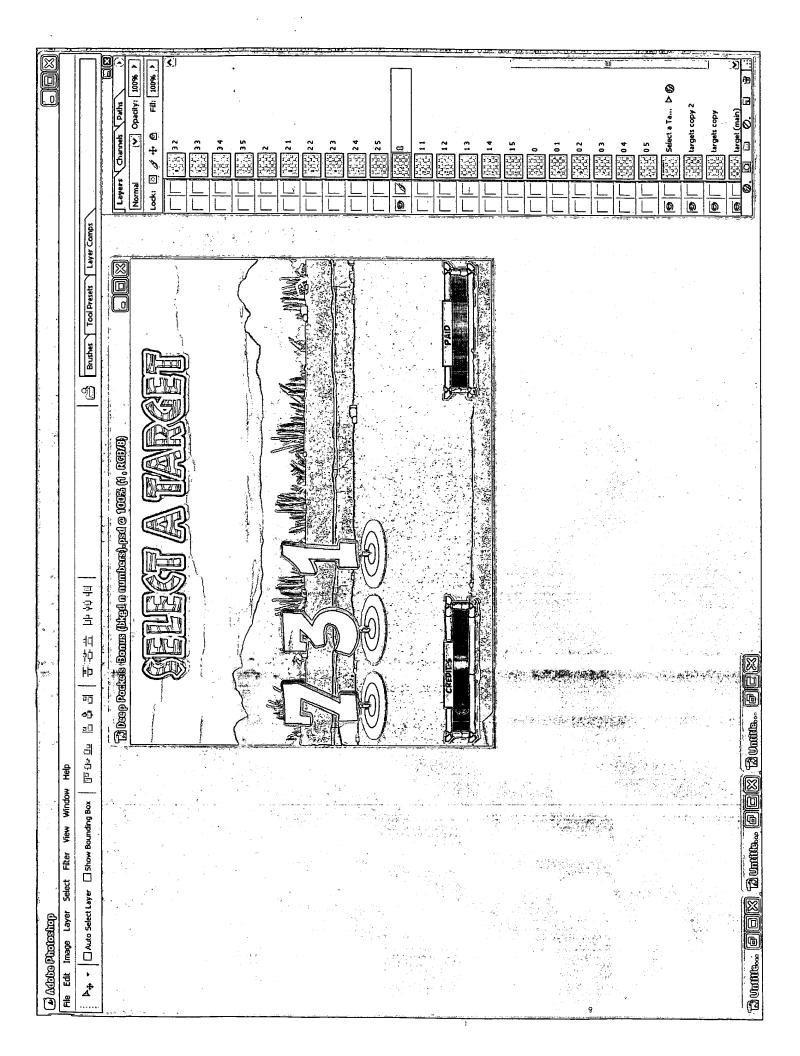
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